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TAGS: PARM, UNGA, XO
SUBJECT: INDIAN OCEAN ITEM AT UNGA: SOVIET VIEWS

REF: USUN 3269

1. FOLLOWING UP SEPARATE DEMARCHES MADE TO SOVIET DEPUTY
PERM REP FOKINE AND TO AMB LEONARD BY INDIAN OCEAN AD HOC
GROUP CHAIRMAN FERNANDO (REFTEL), FOKINE RAISED TACTICS
FOR UNGA WITH LEONARD IN CALL AT MISSION ON AUGUST 29.
FOKINE SUGGESTED THAT US AND SOVIETS COOPERATE IN GIVING
UP-DATE ON STATUS OF BILATERAL TALKS ON INDIAN OCEAN ARMS
LIMITATION TO FERNANDO FOR BENEFIT OF HIS COMMITTEE, WHICH
WILL MEET IN SEPTEMBER TO PREPARE REPORT FOR GENERAL
ASSEMBLY.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: WE HAVE NO DOUBT THAT SOVIETS IN
THEIR PRIVATE MEETINGS HERE WILL CONTINUE TO POINT FINGER
AT U.S. FOR HOLDING UP FURTHER PROGRESS ON INDIAN OCEAN
ARMS LIMITATION. TO MINIMIZE IMPACT OF SOVIET ACCUSATIONS,
BELIEVE WE SHOULD SEIZE FOKINE'S SURPRISINGLY FORTHCOMING
OFFER OF COOPERATION PROMPTLY, AND WE WOULD PROPOSE TO GIVE
FERNANDO A BRIEF, JOINT US/SOVIET INFORMAL REPORT EARLY IN
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SEPTEMBER. TEXT OF REPORT COULD BE WORKED OUT WITH SOVIETS
HERE, IN WASHINGTON, OR IN MOSCOW. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS.
LEONARD

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